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THE BOY
I'VE SEEN
IN MY
DREAMS...

...HERE
AT THIS
ONMYO
PREP
SCHOOL.

FINALLY, WE
CAN MEET
AGAIN.



...HE MUST
REMEMBER.

I'M
SURE...





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REUNION

TOKYO RAVENS

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The cover art features a dynamic scene with three characters in dark blue uniforms. One character with a purple beret is in the upper left, another with blonde hair is in the center, and a third character's hand is reaching out from the bottom left. The background is a vibrant orange and yellow with stylized flames and a halftone dot pattern. A black and red diamond shape is positioned in the upper right.

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SHIBUYA, TOKYO

...SO
THIS IS
ONMYO
PREP?

THIS IS THE
LEADING ONMYO
MUSE TRAINING
INSTITUTION IN
THE COUNTRY?

I THOUGHT
IT WOULD BE
A BIT MORE
OLD-
FASHIONED.

...SERI-
OUSLY?

It looks
like a
corporate
headquarter
tent!

ONMYO
PREP HAS
BEEN AROUND
MORE THAN
FIFTY YEARS
ALREADY.

THIS HERE
IS A NEW
DORM THAT
WAS BUILT
LAST YEAR.

SO THE
INSIDE IS
PROBABLY
JUST AS
FANCY AND
NEW?

IS
BEING
AN ONMYO
MUSE THIS
PROBABLY?

WHO
KNOWS?

...IT'S
JUST
THAT...



IT'S
A LITTLE
TOO
EARLY TO
LOSE
YOUR
NERVE,
HAGUTORA.

HAVE
A LITTLE
CONFIDENCE,
BESIDES...

I'M READY
TO BECOME
AN ONMYO
MAGE...

...I
THINK I
AM
ANYWAY.



WELL,
YOU ARE.
SO
PREPARE
YOURSELF.

...IT STILL
DOESN'T
SEEM
THAT REAL
THAT I'M
HERE.

The confidence
doesn't match
different
from the
branch school.



...WILL GET
YOU EATEN
ALIVE!

AROUND
HERE,
ACTING
LIKE
THAT...

WHAT?



B-BUT, IN
THAT CASE
NATSUME'S
ALREADY
HERE!

SHE'S PART
OF THE MAIN
FAMILY AND
A GENIUS!

YOU'RE
SO
NAIVE.



THERE'S
NOT A SOUL
HERE WHO
DOESN'T
KNOW YOUR
FAMILY.
YOU'LL BE
FAMOUS.

EVEN IF
YOU'RE JUST
FROM A
BRANCH FAMILY,
YOU'RE STILL A
TSUCHIMIKADO.

AND THIS
SCHOOL IS
WHERE THE ELITE
FROM ALL OVER
THE COUNTRY
COME TO
BECOME ONMYO
MAGES.



NATSUME
MAY BE
FAMOUS FOR
BEING FROM
THE MAIN
TSUCHIMI-
KADO LINE...

...BUT YOU'RE
JUST PART OF
A BRANCH
FAMILY, AND
YET YOU
TRANSFER IN
ALL OF A
SUDDEN?

PEOPLE
ARE GOING
TO WONDER,
WHETHER
YOU LIKE IT
OR NOT.

THEY MAY
BE
CURIOUS,
JEALOUS,
OR JUST
AFTER YOUR
POSITION.

THERE ARE
MANY WHO
WOULDN'T MIND
TAKING A SHOT
AT A BRANCH
FAMILY
NEWCOMER
EVEN IF THEY
WOULDN'T DARE
DO IT TO
SOMEONE
FROM THE MAIN
FAMILY.

WHAT?!

MAIN
FAMILY

BRANCH
FAMILY

THIS
SHOULD
BE
INTER-
ESTING...

ANYWAY,
LET'S
GO IN.

THAT
DOESN'T
MATTER, YOU
HAVE THE
"TSUCHI-
MIKADO"
NAME.

BUT I'M
PRETTY
MUCH JUST
AN ANESTHESY!

OH?
LOOK
AT
THESE.

LION-
DOGS?

Note: Lion-dogs are figures of protection normally found around shrines.

THAT
WOULD BE
CORRECT.

WHY?
DO THEY
MOVE AND
TALK?

Ha ha

THAT'S
WHAT THEY
LOOK LIKE
ANYWAY.

HAHA

I
WOULDN'T
PUT MY
FINGERS IN
THERE.

WE MOVE
AND TALK.

GATE-
KEEP-
ERS, HUH...
SO YOU'RE
LIKE
SECURITY
GUARDS?

STATE
YOUR
NAMES
FOR THE
RECORD.

WE HAVE
HELD THIS
ROLE
SINCE THE
SCHOOL
OPENED.

WE ARE
ALPHA AND
OMEGA,
HIGH-
GRADE
ARTIFICIAL
FAMILIARS.

THAT IS
CORRECT.

?!
FAMILIARS?!

FAMILIARS?!



...YOUR VOICE
PRINT AND
AUDIO HAVE
BEEN
VERIFIED AND
REGISTERED.



I'M
TOJI
ATO.

OH
I'M
HARUTORA
TSUCHI-
MIKADO.



STUDY HARD
WITH YOUR
CLASSMATES
...

...AND
DEVOTE
YOURSELVES
TO
BECOMING
GOOD
ONMYO
MAGES.

WE
WELCOME
YOU.



WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?

MY
FAMILIAR?

FIRST,
MAKE YOUR WAY
TO THE SCHOOL
PRINCIPAL'S
OFFICE ON THE
TOP FLOOR.



HARUTORA
TSUCHIMIKADO,
YOUR FAMILIAR
HAS ALSO
BEEN
REGISTERED.

KNOW
THAT IT
SHOULD
ANNOUNCE
ITSELF IN
THE
FUTURE.

I
GUESS WE
PASS,
THEN?



GO
AHEAD
IN.

PRINCIPAL'S
OFFICE

塾長室



...?



THE
DOOR
IS
OPEN.



STEP
INSIDE.



KEA-CHAN

SORRY
TO
INTRUDE...

HOW
SHOULD I
KNOW?
PROBABLY
JUST THE
TASTES OF
THE
PRINCIPAL.

MEOW

...FIRST
TALKING LION-
DOGS, AND
NOW TALKING
CALICO CATS...

ARE ALL
FACILITIES
RELATED TO
ONIYAO
MAGES LIKE
THIS?





...FROM
HARUTORA'S
FATHER AND
NATSUME.

I'VE
HEARD
ALL
ABOUT
YOU
TWO...

FROM
NATSUME?

THAT
CHILD IS
GLITE
CONSCI-
ENTIOUS.



SO YOU
TWO
ARE...



...NATSUME'S
"HISHAMARU"
AND
"KAKUGYOKI"
I SEE.

HUH?



NATU-
RALLY
AFTER
ALL...

LIKE
I
THOUGHT

YOUR
INVOLVEMENT
IN THAT
INCIDENT...

...IS ONE
REASON WHY
YOU ARE NOW
ELIGIBLE TO
ENTER ONMYO
PREPARATORY
SCHOOL.



I'VE ALSO
HEARD
ABOUT THE
INCIDENT
THIS
SUMMER...

...AND
ABOUT
SUZUKA
DAIRENJOI.



THE ONMYO
AGENCY WANTS
TO COVER UP
THAT PRETTY
JUICY SCANDAL
WITH THE
"TWELVE DIVINE
GENERALS."

...THIS
IS THE
SUREST
WAY OF
KEEPING US
QUIET...
RIGHT?





...!!

THE
RUMOR
THAT
NATSUME
IS...

NATSUME
HAS GAINED
A SPECIAL
AMOUNT OF
INTEREST
WITHIN THE
SCHOOL...

THIS WILL
PROBABLY
APPLY TO
ACQUAIN-
TANCES LIKE
YOU AS
WELL.

...THE
REINCARNATION
OF YAKO
TSUCHIMIKADO.



!!

YES...AS
NATSUME
HAS.



...CAN GET
USED TO
SUCH
HAGGLES
QUICKLY.

G-GET
USED
TOP

YOU CAN, OF
COURSE,
DISCUSS
THIS WITH
MYSELF OR
YOUR
HOMEROOM
TEACHER.

HOWEVER,
I HOPE
BOTH OF
YOU...



SHE'S BEEN
PUTTING UP
WITH THIS
KIND OF
STUFF...

I
SEE

NATSUME

...FOR HALF A
YEAR ALREADY,
ALL ALONE AT
THIS SCHOOL.
NO, LONGER
THAN THAT, AS
FAR BACK AS I
CAN REMEMBER.



...BY
THE
WAY

CHUCKLE



OF...
YAKO?

WHAT KIND
OF IMAGE
DO YOU
HAVE OF
YAKO?

GLARE



I'VE...

...DECIDED
THAT I
WILL HELP
HER.

CLENCH



THAT'S
ONE OF
HIS
LEGACIES.
BUT...

...AND CREATED
THE IMPERIAL
ONMYO MAGIC
THAT BECAME
THE BASIS FOR
ALL MODERN
ONMYO MAGIC.

THE GENIUS
MAGE WHO
APPEARED IN
THE MIDDLE OF
THE MADNESS
OF THE WORLD
WAR II.

YAKO
TSUCHI-
MIKADO.

YEAH.. HE WAS ON
A WHOLE DIFFER-
ENT LEVEL FROM
OTHER PEOPLE,
BOTH WHEN HE
SUCCEEDED AND
WHEN HE FAILED.

I GUESS
THAT'S WHAT
IT MEANS
TO BE A
GENIUS AT
SOMETHING.

OTHER THAN
BEING SOME
FAMOUS
ANCESTOR OF
MINE..HE JUST
SEEMS LIKE
TROUBLE.

TO BE
HONEST..

..HE IS ALSO
THE MAGE
WHO FAILED IN
A HUGE RITUAL
THE MILITARY
ORDERED
RIGHT BEFORE
WE LOST THE
WAR..

...AND
CAUSED
TOKYO TO BE
DESET WITH
SPIRITUAL
DISASTERS
EVER SINCE.

HE
LAUGHED
AND
CRIED.

YAKO
WAS
JUST THE
SAME AS
YOU.

HUH?

HE WAS
JUST A
NORMAL
HUMAN
LIKE THE
REST OF
US.

YOU
DON'T
MEAN
...!

...HE
WAS
THE
SAME.



ALTHOUGH,
I WAS
HARDLY
MORE
THAN A
CHILD AT
THE TIME.

YES.



**WAIT, ARE
YOU SAYING
YOU MET...**

**YAKO
TSUCHIMIKADO
WHEN HE
WAS ALIVE?!**

HUH?



**YOU
MET
YAKO...**

...
THAT'S
RIGHT.



WHY, YES,
"SERIOUSLY"

DON'T
FORGET, IT'S
ONLY BEEN A
LITTLE MORE
THAN HALF A
CENTURY
SINCE JAPAN
WAS AT WAR.

**SERIOUSLY?!
YOU MET
YAKO?!**



THEY
IGNORE
YAKO'S
HUMANITY...

...AND
BLINDLY
WORSHIP
HIM.

THE "YAKO
DEVOTEES"...

THOSE
PEOPLE HAVE
DEIFIED
YAKO.



HE WAS
A
HUMAN.

HOWEVER,
THERE ARE
SOME WHO
DON'T SEEM
TO REALIZE
IT.

...A KIND
OF
MAGIC...

...A
"CURSE."

A
PERSON'S
IMAGE
IS...

S
H-
NATSUME
71

THOSE
DANGEROUS
PEOPLE?!

ACTUALLY,
THEY HAVE
...
...SEEN
TRYING TO
CONTACT
NATSUME.

...BEEN TRYING TO CONTACT NATSUME.

BUT ON THE WHOLE, IT IS A POWERFUL KIND OF MAGIC.

AND THUS IT IS CLASSIFIED AS SECOND-CLASS.

AND
THUS IT IS
CLASSIFIED
AS
SECOND-
CLASS.

IT'S THE KIND OF CURSE THAT WE CONSIDER SECOND-CLASS MAGIC, WITH UNCLEAR EFFECTS AND THEORY.

A
RUMOR
IS THE
SAME.

IT MISLEADS
A PERSON
BY
AFFECTING
THEIR MIND.

PRINCIPAL³
PARDON THE
INTRUSION.

BUT PERHAPS IT'S TOO EARLY FOR US TO HAVE THIS KIND OF TALK, HAMP?



OH,
PROFESSOR,
I'M SORRY.

I'VE JUST
FINISHED
UP.

TIME SEEMS
TO HAVE
GOTTEN
AWAY FROM
YOU...



HMP?



I GUESS
I'M RIGHT
ON TIME
THEN.



SO I'VE
GOTTA HAVE
A LITTLE
SOMETHING
TO MAKE
ME LOOK
COOL,
RIGHT?

THERE!

ALL
AH, THIS?
PRETTY
COOL,
RIGHT??

I'M JUST A
SORRY
EXCUSE FOR
AN ONMYO
MASE.

THIS GUY'S
LOOKS LIKE
TROUBLE...IN
SO MANY
WAYS.



WHAT?!

WHADDYA
MEAN
"WHAT"?

THIS IS
MR. JIN
OTOMO...

...YOUR
HOMEROOM
TEACHER.



...NICE
TO MEET
YOU
TWO.



AH,
WHATEVER...

IN ANY
CASE...

DESPITE
THE WAY HE
LOOKS, HE'S AN
EXCELLENT
TEACHER.

YOU TOO,
PRINCIPAL?!
WHAT DO YOU
MEAN
'DESPITE
THE WAY
HE LOOKS?'

Rob
Rob



THAT
MUST'VE
BEEN
SCARY,
HUH?



WATCH OUT,
'CAUSE THE
PRINCIPAL'S
FAMILIARS
ARE ALL
OVER THE
SCHOOL.

Parakata??

?

?



R...
RIGHT...

GET
CAUGHT
CUTTING
CLASS,
AND IT'LL
BE ALL
OVER FOR
YOU!

So I'll
thank
you the
next
time
I see
you!



I
SEE...
THAT
KURA-
HASHI,
HUH...

THE
PRINCIPAL
OF THIS
SCHOOL?

Oh,
sorry

SHE
LOOKS
LIKE A
SWEET OLD
LADY
BUT...

...SHE'S THE
ONE PULLING
THE STRINGS
BEHIND THE
SCENES IN
THIS
BUSINESS.

YEAH,
YEAH.



WHAT ARE
"HISHAMARU"
AND
"KAKUGYOKI"?

THE
PRINCIPAL
MENTIONED
IT EARLIER
BUT...



...AH, WAIT,
I HAVE A
QUESTION...

I'VE
HEARD ABOUT
YOUR SITUATION,
SO IF YOU NEED
ANYTHING, LET ME
KNOW.

HUH?



I
SEE...

HARU-
TORA...



HE'S
PRETTY
MUCH
AN
AMATEUR.

I THOUGHT
YOU
ALREADY
HEARD
ABOUT
US?

...YOU
DON'T
EVEN
KNOW
THAT?

YOU
KNOW
ABOUT
THEM,
TONI?

SHOCK



...THE NAMES OF
YAKO TSUCHI-
MIKADO'S
FAMILIARS.

"HISHAMARU"
AND
"KAKUGYOKI"
ARE...



BUT AMONG
ALL OF 'EM,
THERE WERE
JUST TWO
WERE ALWAYS
BESIDE THEIR
MASTER,
PROTECTING
HIM.

HIJH...

SOME
PEOPLE SAY
THAT YAKO
HAD AT
LEAST A
THOUSAND
FAMILIARS.

THAT IS WHO
"HISHAMARU"
AND
"KAKUGYOKI"
ARE.

YOU TWO
ARE
NATSUME'S...

...WAIT
A SEC.

IT'S
PRETTY EX-
TRAORDINARY
FOR
A FAMILIAR
TO HAVE A
MILITARY
RANK.

BY ALL
REPORTS,
THEY WERE
EXTREMELY
STRONG.

AND WHILE
THEY WERE
GENERAL
USE
FAMILIARS,
THEY WERE
ALSO
SERVANT
FAMILIARS...

...WHO
WORKED AS
COMMI-
SSIONED
ONMYO
OFFICERS IN
THE FORMER
JAPANESE
MILITARY.



WELL,
HERE
WE
ARE.



YOU
READY?



SORRY
TO KEEP
YOU ALL
WAITING!

I'M HERE
WITH WHAT
YOU'VE ALL
BEEN WAITING
FOR! THE NEW
TRANSFER
STUDENTS!



THE
RUMOR.

IF NATSUME
IS
SUPPOSED
TO BE
YAKO..

...AND
WE'RE
SUPPOSED
TO BE
YAKO'S
FAMILIARS..

...DOES
THAT
MEAN..

...THAT
THE
PRINCIPAL
THINKS
IT'S
TRUE?







THEY...

THEY'RE
TOTALLY
STARING!

WELL,
INTRODUCE
YOURSELVES!



IS
THAT
IT?

YOU GUYS
NEED TO
SELL
YOURSELVES
MORE.



I'M
H-HARU-
TORA
TSUCHI-
MIKADO.

I'M
TOJI
ATO.

EARGH?!

STUPID-
TORAI

EASIER
SAID THAN
DONE!











AH...

HERE IT
COMES.

BY ALL
RIGHTS, THEY
SHOULD HAVE
TO WAIT UNTIL
THE NEXT
TERM.



IS IT
SOMETHING
YOU CANNOT
TELL US?

ACTUALLY,
IT'S
EXACTLY
THAT.

.....!!!

LAUGH



WHAT ARE
THESE
"CIRCUM-
STANCES"?

THAT'S TRUE,
BUT THERE
WERE SOME
SPECIAL
CIRCUM-
STANCES.

CIRCUM-
STANCES
ARE
CIRCUM-
STANCES.



...GET INTO
THE
SCHOOL
JUST LIKE
THAT?!

WE HAD TO
STRUGGLE
DESPERATELY
TO PASS AN
EXAM THAT
ONLY COMES
ONCE A YEAR!
AND THESE
TWO, WITH
THEIR
CIRCUMSTANCES
WE CAN'T EVEN
HEAR ABOUT...



PROBABLY
A TEST
PREPARED
JUST FOR
THESE TWO,
RIGHT?!

THESE
TWO
HAVE
ALSO
PASSED
A TEST.

I DO NOT
THINK
THAT IS
FAIR!



ARE YOU
SAYING THAT
THE TSUCHI-
MIKADO GET
SPECIAL
TREATMENT?



IS IT
BECAUSE
HE'S FROM
THE TSUCHI-
MIKADO
FAMILY?



THESE
ACCUSATIONS
ARE
RIDICULOUS!

THIS IS
FAVORITISM!





**LISTEN TO
YOU, ACTING
SELF-
IMPORTANT!**

**THEN
HOW
ABOUT I
TELL
EVERYONE
THE
TRUTH!**

**TAKE IT BACK
IMMEDIATELY
AND
APOLOGIZE TO
HIM!**

**I KNOW
THE
STORY...
NATSUME.**

HE...

**...IS YOUR
FAMILIAR,
ISN'T HE?!**



ISN'T IT
A BIT TOO
OBVIOUS?!

YOU GOT HIM
INTO THIS
SCHOOL SO
YOU COULD
HAVE YOUR
FAMILIAR AT
YOUR SIDE!



HAVING
A HUMAN
AS A
FAMILIAR...

HAVE
WE BEEN
FOUND
OUT?!

WHOA?!



JUST
LIKE THE
TSUCHI-
MIKADO
THOUGH,
RIGHT?

Flash back

IT'S NOT
JUST OLD-
FASHIONED.
IT'S COM-
PLETELY OUT
OF TOUCH
WITH THE
TIMES.



...THAT HAS
NOTHING TO
DO WITH
WHY HE WAS
ABLE TO
ENROLL AT
THIS TIME.

...HIM BEING
MY FAMILIAR
IS ONE OF
THE REASONS
WHY HE HAS
COME HERE...

...HOW-
EVER...

...IT'S
TRUE...





THIS SCHOOL
DOES NOT
EXIST TO
SATISFY YOUR
FEELINGS.

...
NNG!

SHE'S
DEFINITELY
THINKING
"I'VE WON."

THAT
FOOL..!

I GUESS
I ZONED
OUT THERE!

...OH!

SIGH...

AREN'T
YOU
GOING TO
STOP
THIS?

UHM...

HUH?

I'M GLAD
SHE
STUCK UP
FOR ME,
BUT...

...THAT'S
WHY SHE
CAN'T
MAKE
FRIENDS...



OH MAN,
THEY'RE
ALL THE
SAME...

LOOKING
FORWARD
TO SEEING
SOME
TROUBLE.



WE HAVENT
EVEN MADE
IT
THROUGH
THE FIRST
DAY...



I THINK WE
CAN LOOK
FORWARD
TO A LOT
MORE
ENEMIES.

...AND WE'RE
ALREADY
GETTING
ATTENTION IN
THE WORST
WAY.



...LOOKS
INCREDIBLY
DIFFICULT...

THE
FUTURE...

END OF CHAPTER 6



TOKYO
RAVENS



CHAPTER 7
DEFENSE

IT'S
ALMOST
PERFECT,
HARUTORA.

MAN,
HAVEN'T EVEN
MADE IT
THROUGH THE
FIRST DAY,
AND CHECK
US OUT!

IT'S
THE
WORST.

WHAT'S
SO
PERFECT?

SHE
ALWAYS
COMES AT
ME.

THOUGH
IT'S RARE
FOR HER TO
BE SO
DIRECT.

HEY,
NATSU-
ME...

...IS
KYOKO
ALWAYS
LIKE
THAT?

...
YEAH.

LUNCH BREAK

NAH, SINCE
WE WERE
ABLE TO SEE
THAT INTENSE
EXCHANGE
EARLY ON...

IT WAS A
GREAT WAY
TO GAUGE
THEIR
STRENGTH.

THAT
WASN'T
JUST A
LITTLE...

HEH HEH

WELL,
IT'S
NATURAL
TO
PROTECT
MY OWN
FAMILIAR.

THANKS
TO THAT,
I ALSO
GOT A
LITTLE
WORKED
UP.













BUT RE-
GARDLESS
OF HOW
POWERFUL
THEY ARE
NOW...

...HISTORI-
CALLY, THE
TSUCHIMI-
KADO FAMILY
HAS ALWAYS
HAD A HIGH-
ER STATUS.

EVEN NAT-
SUME'S FOLKS
ARE...WELL, I
DON'T REALLY
REMEMBER, BUT
THEY SURE
AREN'T ANY-
THING LIKE
THAT!

THOSE
KURAHASHI
ARE SUPER
PRESTIGIOUS!

Y-
YEAH.

WHAT THE
HECK!!
THAT'S
CRAZY!!

MY DAD IS
JUST A
COUNTRYSIDE
ONMYO
DOCTOR.

Like
Natsume.

GIVEN HER
FAMILY, SHE'D
PROBABLY
LEARNED ALL
THE BASICS OF
ONMYO
ALREADY.

GUESS WE'D
BETTER NOT
PICK ANY
FIGHTS WITH
HER.

S-SUPPER.

BOTH OF
THEM ARE
QUITE
OUTSTANDING
AMONG
THEIR
PEERS.

DUE TO
THAT,
KURAHASHI
HAS STARTED
A ONE SIDED
RIVALRY WITH
NATSUME.

...AT
LEAST
THAT'S HOW
EVERYONE
SEES IT.

I THINK
THOSE TWO
MIGHT BE THE
ONLY TWO IN
OUR YEAR WITH
DEFENSE
FAMILIARS.

BUT
WHENEVER WE
DO HAVE THE
OCCASIONAL
PRACTICAL,
THEY BOTH DO
PERFECTLY.

THE FIRST
YEAR IS
FOCUSED ON
LECTURES, SO
WE DON'T
KNOW HOW
GREAT THEY
ARE YET.



NATSUME IS, WELL...

HE KEEPS A DISTANCE FROM EVERYONE ELSE, AND NEVER SEEMS INTERESTED IN THE CLASS...

I DON'T THINK THAT KURAHASHI EXPECTED NATSUME...

...TO ACTUALLY FIGHT BACK LIKE THAT AGAINST HER.

BUT THIS MORNING WAS QUITE THE SHOCK, HONESTLY.

defense level: 100%

I'm totally lost



...YOU'VE BEEN GOING AT IT ALONE, WITHOUT MAKING ANY FRIENDS.

SO IT'S LIKE EVEN IF NO ONE'S ACTUALLY LOOKING DOWN ON YOU...

NATSUME..!

I CANNOT AFFORD TO WASTE MY DAYS IN USELESSNESS...

AND I HAVE NO TIME FOR USELESS FRIENDS, EITHER.

!



...SEEING THE CALM NATSUME ...

...GET SO EMOTIONAL ...

BUT...

I HAVE TO DO SOMETHING...



**IDIOT! I THOUGHT
YOU WERE AN IDIOT
BUT NOT THIS MUCH
OF AN IDIOT!**



**WITH YOUR
LEVEL,
EVERYONE'LL
SUSPECT IT
WAS FRAUD!**

**AND YET YOU
MANAGED TO
GET INTO
ONMYO PREP?!**

**I'VE
NEVER
BEEN SO
ASHAMED!**

**WHAT
IS
THIS
...!!!**



**WHAT'S THE
RELATIONSHIP
BETWEEN THE
SCALE AND
PHASE OF
SPIRITUAL
DISASTERS?!**

**WHAT TYPES
OF FAMILIARS
FALL UNDER
THE GENERAL-
USE
CLASSIFICA-
TION?!**

**WHAT'S THE
BIGGEST
DIFFERENCE
BETWEEN
SIXTH RANK
DIVINATION
AND GENERAL
SIXTH RANK?!**

**JUST
CHALK IT UP
TO HIM BEING
GOOD AT
CRAMMING
RIGHT BEFORE
AN EXAM.**

**BY THE
WAY
HARU-
TORA...**

**UUM...
WELL...**



**...AND
THOSE
CREATED BY
GIVING POWER
TO A SACRED
ITEM ARE
"ARTIFICIAL
FAMILIARS."**

**OGRES, SACRED
BEASTS, AND
SPIRIT-TYPE
FAMILIARS THAT
ARE CONTROLLED
ARE "SERVANT
FAMILIARS"...**

**...GENERAL-
USE FAMILIARS
ARE LARGELY
SPLIT INTO
TWO TYPES...**



...WHY IS A GUY FROM A NORMAL FAMILY LIKE YOURS SO KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT THIS?

BECAUSE I'M NOT AN IDIOT.

...ARE FURTHER CLASSIFIED LIKE THIS.

FAMILIARS-

- ARTIFICIAL FAMILIARS**
 - SIMPLE ARTIFICIAL FAMILIAR**
THIS TYPE CAN ONLY BE DIRECTLY OPERATED BY THE POWER OF THE FRAGMENTER, OR ACT UPON INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN IN ADVANCE.
 - ARTIFICIAL FAMILIAR**
THIS TYPE CAN NOT ONLY USE THE POWER OF THE FRAGMENTER, BUT ALSO HOLD EXTERNAL POWER. IT CAN ACT SEMI-AUTONOMOUSLY.
 - HIGH-GRADE ARTIFICIAL FAMILIARS**
AN ARTIFICIAL TYPE WITH ITS OWN INDIVIDUAL THOUGHT AND EGO.
- SERVANT FAMILIARS**

AND THE ARTIFICIAL FAMILIARS, WHICH ARE WAY MORE COMMON THESE DAYS...

... UGH...

BUT THE REACTION OF EVERYONE IN THE CLASS...

THOSE ARE CLASSIFIED BY USE AND NOT BY CREATION METHOD.

OKAY...WHAT DO DEFENSE FAMILIARS AND GENERAL-USE FAMILIARS MEAN, THEN?!

SPECIAL TRAINING FROM HELL...!!

SPECIAL TRAINING ...

WE'LL DO SPECIAL TRAINING ...

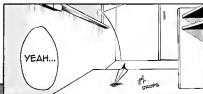
...AND ESPECIALLY KYOKO...

Make her too...

That's your punishment!











HOKUTO...
OR AT LEAST
THE MAGE
WHO
CONTROLLED
HER.

I THOUGHT THAT IF
I DIVED INTO THIS
WORLD,
I MIGHT MEET HER
AGAIN.

HOKUTO...

IF HOKUTO
WERE
HERE...

MY BEST
FRIEND, WHO
JUST
HAPPENED
TO BE A
FAMILIAR...

IF I WERE
WITH HOKUTO
NOW, SHE'S
DEFINITELY
LAUGH AND
CHEER ME UP.

SHE'D
PROBABLY
BE THRILLED
TO HEAR
THAT I'D GOT
INTO ONMYO
PREP.

FAMILIAR...

HLUH?

RUSTLE

...MY DAD
GAVE ME
A FAMILIAR
AS A
FAREWELL
GIFT!

WAIT, I'D
BEEN SO
BUSY I
FORGOT...

...YOU TOO ARE
ONE OF THE
"TSUCHI-
MIKADO."

IF YOU
WANT TO
BE AN
ONMYO
MAGE...

HERE
IT
IS...

MAYBE IT'LL BE
SOMETHING
THAT'LL REALLY
IMPRESS THE
LECTURERS AND
MY CLASSMATES!

PERHAPS IT'LL
BE COOL LIKE
NATSUME'S
HOKUTO OR
YUKIKAZE.

MY DAD
BROUGHT UP
THE TSUCHI-
MIKADO NAME
AND GAVE ME
A FAMILAR.

I-IS
THERE A
USER'S
MANUAL?

I
GUESS
I'LL
JUST
OPEN
IT...

I DON'T
KNOW HOW
TO USE
IT!

I...





JUST
WHERE
DID SHE
COME
FROM...

A KID?!

HM?



p-p-
PLEASED
TO MEET
YOU!

Y-YOU
ARE...?



SHAME
X²
X²

TAIL



SHAME
X²
X²

EARS



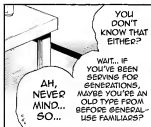
...KON!

I-I-I
I'M
CALLED...

FLUSTER









WHOAI!

I-I'M NOW
SEPARATED
FROM
REALITY...

YOU
CAN
STILL
TALK!

YOU'RE
GONE! I
CAN'T SEE
YOU AT
ALL!



I-I CAN
FLOAT
IN
MIDAIR.

CAN
YOU
DO ANY-
THING
ELSE?



N-NO...
IT WAS
N-N-
NOTHING.

THAT
WAS
AWESOME,
KON!



ANY...



I C-CAN
CONTROL
FIRE!

ANY-
THING
ELSE?!

ANY-
THING
ELSE?!



HUH?

TWINKLE

...WIL MEET
THEIR END ON
MY BELOVED
BLADE
"KACHIWARI"!

A-A-A-
ANYONE WHO
TRIES TO
INJURE
MASTER
HARUTORA...

FOR NOW,
DON'T TAKE
OUT THAT
SWORD
WITHOUT MY
PERMISSION,
OKAY?

BUT,
MASTER
HARU-
TORA...

HARU-
TORA
HARU-
TORA
PA-CLASH

OKAY,
OKAY,
I GOT IT!!

I GOT IT,
SO CAN
YOU PUT
THAT THING
AWAY??

OH...

UHM...
KON.

LOOK,
I'VE GOT
TO BE
UP-FRONT
WITH
YOU...

.....
.....

Y-YES...

EVEN IN
UNEXPECTED
SITUATIONS,
CHECK WITH
ME, OKAY?

PWOOMP

REALLY, I DON'T
EVEN HAVE
CONFIDENCE THAT
I'LL BE
ABLE TO USE YOU
EFFECTIVELY...

I MAY BE A
TSUCHIMIKADO,
BUT I'M REALLY
JUST A
BEGINNER AT
ALL THIS.

!!!

わっ

WHOOA



N-NO!
WAIT! I'M
NOT
SAYING
THAT!

I DIDN'T
MEAN
THAT!

A-A-A-
ARE YOU
SAYING
YOU...

...D-DON'T
N-N-
NEED
ME?!



HUH?

THAT'S
NOT
TRUE!

I'M NOT
REALLY
SOMEONE
WORTH
YOUR
RESPECT,
KON...

IT'S JUST
THAT I'M
ONLY A
STUDENT
LEARNING
THE
BASICS.



...MASTER
HARUTORA'S
FAMILIAR.

AH...
THAT'S
RIGHT,
YOU SAW
EVERYTHING.

K-KON
HAS BEEN
WATCHING,
BY YOUR
SIDE ALL
DAY!

WELL,
THEN
YOU
SHOULD
KNOW
WHAT I
MEAN.

KON
IS...



JUST
BECAUSE
YOU'RE MY
FAMILIAR...

...IS THAT
ENOUGH
REASON TO
RESPECT
ME?

!! IS THAT
PERHAPS A
PROBLEM,
SIR?



WHA...

TH- THE
PLEASURE IS
ALL MINE,
MASTER!

...I'M
HAPPY
TO BE
WORKING
WITH
YOU.

I'M NOT
A REALLY
GREAT
MASTER,
BUT...

SOMEONE
LIKE ME...

THANK
YOU,
KON.

K-KON
WAS
ORIGINALLY
A SPIRIT
FOX...

A
FOX?

BY THE
WAY,
KON...

...WHAT'S
UP WITH
YOUR
EARS AND
TAIL...

HHMM...



WHAAAA
?!

ANIMAL
LOVER

C-CAN
I TOUCH
THEM?

IT'S
N-N-NOT
THAT...

IT'S FINE IF
YOU DON'T
WANT
ME TO.

G-GO
AHEAD...

WELL...
THEN...

!!

EXTREMELY...
DELIGHTED...

I-I'M
GLAD
YOU
LIKE IT!

YOUR
TAIL IS
SO
FLUFFY!!

SO
NICE
AND
SOFT!

HOW
...?!

HOW
DOES
YOUR
TAIL
WORK?
DOES
IT
MOVE
ON ITS
OWN?



...LIKE
THIS!!!

THE BOOKS
I TOLD YOU TO
GET FROM
THE LIBRARY
WERE ALL STILL
THERE--

HARUTORAI!
WHAT IS
THE
MEANING OF
THIS?!

SWOOSH

BANG





АHHHH!

КУАА?!

STAGGER



It's...

...NOT
WHAT
YOU...



NATSUME,
THIS
ISN'T...



...HARU-
TORA...

...WHAT
YOU
THINK!



WHOA!





...ARE...
YOU...
DOING?

JUST...
WHAT...



W-
WAIT!!

...PUN-
ISH...

FWIP

...YOU...

WAIT!

唐院

PERVERT

PUNISHMENT!

ORDER!!

QUITE
DISSAT-
ISFYING...



THE KING
HAS
ALREADY
PROVIDED
US WITH
PLENTY OF
PROOF.

DO YOU
THINK THAT
THE GROUP
HAS BEEN
PERHAPS
TOO
CAUTIOUS?

YES,
UNFORTU-
NATELY
SO.

THEIR
INFLUENCE
HAS BEEN
GREATER
THAN WE
ANTICI-
PATED.



IN THAT
CASE,
DEPENDS
ON THE
CIRCUM-
STANCES...

ANY
WORD
FROM
THE
OTHERS?

...NO,
NOT AT
PRESENT...

I
AGREE.
BUT
THANKS
TO THAT,
WE CAN
ACT
MORE
EASILY



...PERHAPS
WE HAVE A
BIT MORE
TIME...

TEAR



...TO SHOW
A LITTLE
RESTRAINT.

CHAPTER
ANIMOSITY



...OR "CAPTURE
FAMILIARS"
USED WHEN THE
MAGICAL
INVESTIGATION
BUREAU
CAPTURES
CRIMINALS.

LIKE
"GENERAL-USE
FAMILIARS"
THAT CAN BE
USED FOR
MANY
PURPOSES...

FAMILIARS
CAN BE
CLASSIFIED
BASED ON
THEIR
USES...



...ARE ALSO
ARTIFICIAL
FAMILIARS THAT
WERE CREATED TO
REPLACE THESE
GUARDIAN SPIRITS
AND OTHER
GENERAL-USE
SERVANT
FAMILIARS.

THE DEFENSE
FAMILIARS THAT
GET THEIR
NAMES FROM
THE GUARDIAN
SPIRITS OF
ESOTERIC
BUDDHIST
TEACHINGS
AND
SHUGENDO.

THE
"DEFENSE
FAMILIARS"
ARE
ANOTHER OF
THESE CATEGORIES.

THEY ARE
FAITHFUL
GUARDIANS,
CREATED BY
MAN.

THESE ARE
THE
DEFENSE
FAMILIARS...

THEY
REMAIN
EVER BY
THEIR
MASTERS'
SIDES.

THEY
PROTECT
THEIR
MASTERS,
OBEYING
THEIR EVERY
COMMAND.

CHAPTER 8
ANIMOSITY

OR
SO
THEY
SAY...
...ABOUT
GREAT
FAMILIARS.

MINE
WASNT
MUCH HELP
YESTERDAY
THOUGH...

TOUITS
SITTING ON
THE OTHER
SIDE OF THE
ROOM,
CLAIMING ITS
TO "COLLECT
INTEL"...

...WE'LL
END
HERE FOR
TODAY...

...WITH
THAT
BEING
SAID...

AND
BECAUSE
OF HER,
I'M IN
THIS
MESS.

ARE
YOU
THERE
?

KON
...

...BECAUSE
OF THAT
LITTLE
MISUNDER-
STANDING.

...AND
NATSUMES
STILL
FUMING...







GRIN



ISN'T THAT
SOME KIND
OF SPECIAL
TREAT-
MENT?!

PROFES-
SOR, YOU
JUST SAID
THAT THE
CURRICULUM
IS STREAM-
LINED...

DO YOU
PLAN TO GO
AGAINST
YOUR OWN
WORDS
JUST FOR
THESE
TWO?!

HMM.

ISN'T IT
STRANGE
THAT ALL OF
US SHOULD
BE PUNISHED
BECAUSE
OTHERS LACK
THAT SELF-
AWARENESS?!

IT IS
PROPER
FOR
THOSE
WHO KNOW
THAT THEY
ARE
BEHIND TO
REVIEW
ON THEIR
OWN!

YOU
KNOW,
KYOKO...

SHOULDN'T
PEOPLE BE
DOING
THAT
INDIVIDU-
ALLY?!

IT'S NOT
JUST FOR
THESE
TWO, IT'S A
REVIEW FOR
EVERYONE...

HMM.

SHATTER



ISN'T THAT
HOW A
STREAM-
LINED
CURRICULUM
WORKS?



IN
OTHER
WORDS...

...YOU'RE
SAVING
WE
SHOULD
CAST AWAY
THOSE
WHO
CAN'T
KEEP UP?



...ISN'T A
JOB YOU
CAN TAKE
LIGHTLY.



AFTER
ALL,
BEING AN
ONMYO
MAGE...



GEH.

WELL,
YEAH.



ANY
HALF-HEARTED
STUDENTS
WHO DON'T
UNDERSTAND
THAT SHOULD
JUST HURRY
UP AND QUIT.

ONMYO
PREP WON'T
BOTHR
PULLING
ALONG
STUDENTS
WHO DON'T
GET WHAT
LIES AHEAD
FOR THEM.









WAS HE
JUST
TRYING TO
CONFUSE
EVERYONE,
THOUGH,
OR...?



I BARELY
UNDERSTAND HOW,
BUT HE TOTALLY
TOOK BACK
CONTROL OF THE
CONVERSATION.



WHO THE
HECK IS
PROFESSOR
OTOMO?



...ACCEPT
THAT!!

.....
I
CAN'T...



BANG
I
CANNOT
ACCEPT
IT!!

NO MATTER
HOW YOU
SAY IT OR
TRY TO
REPAIR IT,
ISN'T THIS
FAVORITISM...

...TOWARDS
THE NEW
STUDENTS--NO,
TOWARDS
TSUCHE-
MIKADO?!
W







I...



I...



NO... I
DO FEEL
BAD
ABOUT
THAT.

IF
THAT'S
TRUE
THEN--



AND
YOU'RE
FINE
INCONVEN-
IENCING
THE REST
OF US FOR
THAT?!

IT'S TRUE,
I CAN'T
REALLY
FOLLOW THE
CLASS...

...AND
A REVIEW
WOULD
REALLY
HELP ME
OUT.



...I STILL
WANT TO
DO IT.



I DO
FEEL
BAD...

...BUT...



THOUGH
I'M NOT
SURE
WHETHER
I'LL
UNDERSTAND
IT OR NOT.



...I'LL
GLADLY
TAKE
PART IN
THE
LECTURE.



IF THAT'S
WHAT THE
PROFES-
SOR
WANTS TO
DO...



I'M PRETTY
SURE YOU
GUYS ARE
THE ONLY
ONES IM-
PRESSED
WITH OUR
NAME ANY-
WAY.

WHAT
?!

BUT
STILL...



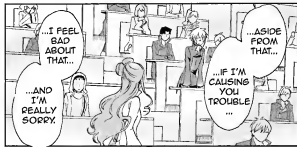
I'M NOT
EXACTLY WAVING
AROUND THE
TSUCHIMIKADO
NAME ON A
SIGNBOARD...

...IT
WOULDN'T
EVEN BE
THAT GREAT
OF A
SIGNBOARD
IN THE FIRST
PLACE.

ALSO...

...JUST AS
NATSUNE SAID
YESTERDAY...

...THERE
IS NO
FAVORITISM
GOING ON.





**I'M GOING
TO PUT
BECOMING
AN ONMYO
MAGE...**

**...FIRST
AND
FOREMOST.**

!



...GRR!

TREMBLE

TREMBLE

I'M
SORRY,
BUT...

I
RECOM-
MEND
THAT YOU
DROP OUT
NOW.

...HARU-
TORA
TSUCHI-
MIKADO.



I THINK IT
WAS CLEAR TO
EVERYONE
AFTER
YESTERDAY...

...THAT
YOU'LL
NEVER
CATCH UP,
CORRECT?!

EXACTLY
!!

DROP
OUT
?!

ARE YOU
SAYING I
SHOULD QUIT
SCHOOL?!



IT'S THE
WRONG
PLACE FOR
A
TALENTLESS
PERSON
LIKE YOU!

THIS IS
WHERE
TOP-CLASS
STUDENTS
STUDY TO
BECOME
ONMYO
MAGES!





YOU...!

1st

THIS
STOPS
HERE...

...YOU
FOOL!

WHOOSH

KYAH
...!

THUD



I CANNOT
JUST IGNORE
THIS
FOOLISHNESS!!

YOUR
BLOOD
SHALL
RUST ON
MY
BELOVED
SWORD...

NOW, BE
STILL
WHILE I
DISCIPLINE
YOU--



BUT I
CAN'T
TOLERATE
THIS
STREAM
OF
IMPOLITE-
NESS...

...TOWARDS
MASTER
HARUTORA!



I'M UNDER
STRICT
ORDERS
TO KEEP
QUIET...

ん!?

んん
Eh...uh...?





**I CANNOT
JUST IGNORE
THIS
FOOLISHNESS!!**

**YOUR
BLOOD
SHALL
RUST ON
MY
BELOVED
SWORD...**

**NOW, BE
STILL
WHILE I
DISCIPLINE
YOU--**

**BUT I
CAN'T
TOLERATE
THIS
STREAM
OF
IMPOLITE-
NESS...**

**...TOWARDS
MASTER
HARUTORA!**



GUH?!

**YOU'RE
THE ONE
WHO
NEEDS
SOME
DISCIPLIN-
ING!!**

SMACK!



**BUT
MASTER
HARU-
TORA,
SHE
WAS...**

**PRETTY
NOISY FOR
A LOYAL
LITTLE
FAMILIAR!**



**WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN
'WHY'!!**

**I TOLD
YOU TO
STAY
HIDDEN!**



**M-M-M-
MASTER
HARU-
TORA?
WHY?!**



**WERE YOU
JUST
MESSING
WITH ME
BEFORE,
HUH?!**

**AND WHY'RE
YOU TALKING
NOW WITHOUT
STUTTERING,
HUH?!**







EVERYONE'S
LOOKING AT
ME...

...DIFFER-
ENTLY THAN
BEFORE?

HAKUO!

KOKUFU!

?!





UWA...
WHAT
ARE
YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?

C-CALM
DOWN!!

Kami and Kami's headband reacts
"WAAAA"



YOU
WERE
THE ONE
WHO
ATTACKED
FIRST!



FINE! I'LL
ACCEPT
YOUR
CHALLENGE!!



I
MEANT
NO
HARM!

I'LL
APOLO-
GIZE!!

STOP
PLAYING
AROUND!

ALRIGHT,
I GOT IT!!



CLANG



RIGHT
HERE,
BOTH OF
YOU...

...CAN
SHOW US
YOUR
REAL
SKILLS!

YOU HAVE
QUITE THE
MOTIVATION
AND
SPIRIT!!

IT
SEEMS
THAT BOTH
OF YOU
CAN
CONTROL
FAMILIARS.



WHAT?



LET'S
HEAD
OVER TO
THE MAGIC
PRACTICE
AREA.

HARU-
TORA!
KYOKO!



TODAY'S
LECTURES
ARE PRETTY
MUCH
OVER
ANYWAY.

CHATTER



CHATTER



WHY DON'T
WE HAVE A
BATTLE
BETWEEN
FAMILIARS?

END OF CHAPTER 8

TOKYO
RAVENS



WHAT
THE..

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中

☆

GLOOM

IS THIS
NORMAL
FOR AN
ONMYO
MAGE?

YOUR
SPIRIT
IS
FAL-
TERING.

HARU-
TORA

WHAT
ARE
YOU
THINKING,
JIN
OTOMOP?

ISN'T THIS
A BIT UNDEA-
SONABLE
OF ONMYO
PREP?

I'M A
COMPLETE
BEGINNER
WHO
ONLY
STARTED
SCHOOL
YESTER-
DAY!

WHY DON'T
WE HAVE A
BATTLE
BETWEEN
FAMILIARS?

PRO-
FES-
SOR...

WHILE
YOU'RE OVER
HERE
BABBLING,
EVERYONE
HAS ALREADY
GONE TO THE
MAGIC
PRACTICE
AREA.





IT'S A
SPE-
CIALTY
SCHOOL
AFTER
ALL...

ONMYO
PREP
SCHOOL
IS A
SCHOOL
THAT
TEACHES
SKILLS.

DON'T
TAKE IT
THE
WRONG
WAY,
OKAY?



HARSH!
IS THAT
WHAT A
PROFES-
SOR TELLS
HIS STU-
DENT?!

SLASH

WE'LL
SEE
WHAT
HAPPENS.

IT'S NOT
LIKE YOUR
POSITION
WOULD
CHANGE
WITH A BIT
MORE
EMBAS-
SAMENT



NATSUME
IS AN
EXTREMELY
TALENTED
STUDENT.



ALSO...

He's seriously
the worst..

???



IT'S NOT
PERFECT
YET, BUT THE
HE SEEMS
TO BE ABLE
TO HANDLE
IT WELL.

HE COULD
PROBABLY
EVEN BATTLE
WITH AN AVER-
AGE-LEVEL
PROFESSIO-
NAL ONMYO
MAGE.

ESPECIALLY
HIS SERVANT
FAMILIAR...AS
EXPECTED
FROM A
TSUCHI-
MIKADO
GUARDIAN
BEAST

IT'S ONE
OF THE
TOP CLASS
SACRED
BEASTS IN
THE
COUNTRY.





B-BUT
I
HAVEN'T
DONE
ANY-
THING.

IT'S NOT
OUTRAGEOUS
FOR PEOPLE
TO ALREADY
SEE YOU AS
A PRO.



HARU-
TORA..

YOU MAY
BE AN
AMATEUR,
BUT YOU
SHOULDN'T
BE SO
DOWN ON
YOURSELF.



THAT'S
RIGHT, THE
PRINCIPAL
ALSO SAID
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT..

I still
don't get
it but..

AND FOR
SOME
UNRELATED
AMATEUR TO
DO THAT KIND
OF SORCERY
UNCON-
SCIOUSLY..

IS THAT
SOP

ACTUALLY,
YOU USED
SECOND-
CLASS
MAGIC THAT
HAD A
STRONGER
EFFECT THAN
FIRST-
CLASS.

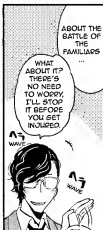


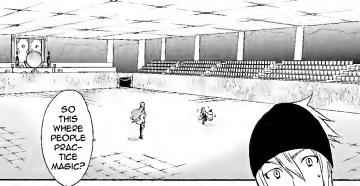
THAT'S NOT
SOMETHING
SOMEONE
LIKE YOU CAN
SUPERFICIALLY
JUDGE BY
YOURSELF.

ONMYO
PREP
DOESN'T
ACCEPT
ANYONE
WITHOUT
TALENT.









THE PROTECTIVE WALLS WERE INSTALLED BY FIRST-CLASS STATE ONIYO MAGES.



HOWEVER...





OF
COURSE
NOT.
BUT...

IS THIS
CLASS
ALWAYS
LIKE
THIS?

ゴゴゴゴ...
GRRRRR

ONE TWO...

THREE
FOUR...



Must've
been a
ghost, from
the look of
him...

MAGICAL
INVESTIGATION
BUREAU,
HUH...

AND
HE USED
TO WORK
AT THE
MAGICAL
INVESTIGATION
BUREAU.

Really
didn't
give
me
any
clues...



RIGHT
HERE,
BOTH OF
YOU...

CAN
SHOW US
YOUR
REAL
SKILLS?

I'VE
HEARD
THAT HE
DID JUST
BECOME A
LECTURER
THIS
TERM...

WELL...

OUR
HOME-
ROOM
TEACHER
IS PRETTY
LOOSE
WITH
THINGS,
HUH?

WMT...



...OH,
THAT!

What's
that
about?

...THEY
ALL
SEEMED
REAL ON
EDGE,
DIDN'T
THEY?



OH
YEAH,
TENMA...

WHEN
EVERY-
ONE SAW
HARU-
TORA'S
FAMILIAR
...



WE'RE
TALKING
ABOUT A
DEFENSE
FAMILIAR.

STRETCH

A NORMAL
FAMILIAR
WOULD
HAVE BEEN
DIFFERENT,
BUT...



WELL,
NOT
GREAT,
BUT...



THE ONLY
OTHERS IN
THE CLASS
WHO HAVE A
DEFENSE
FAMILIAR ARE
NATSUME
AND KYOKO
KURAHASHI.

ARE
DEFENSE
FAMILIARS
ALL THAT
GREAT?



IT'S A
GREAT
BURDEN
FOR
THOSE
WHO USE
THEM.

...THEY'RE
FAMILIARS
THAT HAVE
TO BE
SUMMONED
TWENTY-
FOUR HOURS
A DAY.

DEFENSE
FAMILIARS
AND
SERVANT
FAMILIARS...



SO,
AS AN
ONMYO
MAGE, BEING
ABLE TO USE
DEFENSE
FAMILIARS OR
SERVANT
FAMILIARS...

...GRANTS
YOU A
CERTAIN
KIND OF
STATUS.



EVEN
IF THEY
AREN'T
MATERIALIZED
THEY ARE
STILL
CONNECTED
SPIRITUALLY...



SO
PEOPLE
WITHOUT A
LOT OF
SPIRITUAL
POWER CAN'T
HANDLE
THEM.

BASICALLY,
YOU HAVE
TO BE
SPIRITUALLY
"TOUGH"
TO USE THEM.

REALLY



CHATTER



CHATTER







BLUSH









I'M A
FAMILIAR.

SNAP +

EXACTLY.



YOU
DO?

BUT I
LIKE
YOUR
PAS-
SION.

THAT WAS
HARSH, KYOKO.



...THIS IS
UNBELIEV-
ABLE...



ARE
YOU
CRAZY?!

IT'S
TRUE...

I'VE
ALREADY
GOT THE
TEACHER'S
PERMIS-
SION.

IS THIS
TRUE,
PROFES-
SOR?

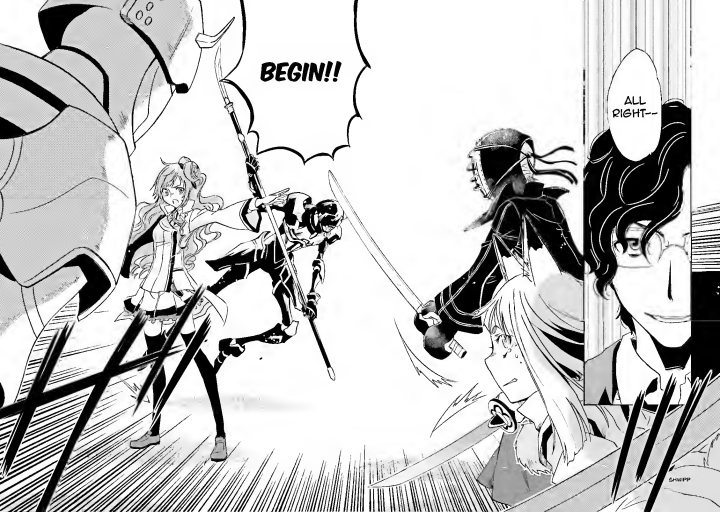








CHATTER



BEGIN!!

ALL
RIGHT--

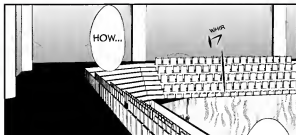


ALL
RIGHT--

SHIPPY

BEGIN!!













...THAT
RETURNS
THE KING TO
HIS FORMER
GLORY!

CHAPTER 10
WILLPOWER





WHAT
WERE YOU
THINKING,
HARU-
TORA?!



...NATSU-
ME?



...AGAINST
A FAMILIAR--
A "YAKSHA"
EVEN?! ONE
MISTAKE AND
YOU WOULD
HAVE BEEN
DEAD!

WITH JUST
THIS
FLIMSY
PROTEC-
TION...



OBVIOUSLY
I'M TALKING
ABOUT
THAT
FIGHT!

WHAT
DO
YOU
MEAN?













IF YOU'RE
THAT MUCH
OF AN IDIOT,
THEN AT
LEAST STOP
AND THINK
BEFORE YOU
ACT!

IS
THAT...



UNFORTU-
NATELY,
THIS IS
HOW I DO
THINGS.

SORRY
TO EMBAR-
RASS
YOU AGAIN.



WHAT?!

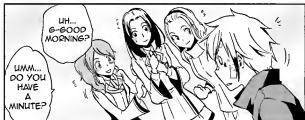
...AN
"ORDER,"
MASTER?



...!!

IF YOU
DON'T
LIKE IT,
FEEL
FREE
TO FIRE
ME.















PLAYTARD













I GOT
KIND OF
WORKED
UP, BUT...

...I DIDN'T
PLAN ON
BRINGING
OUT A
FAMILIAR
AND
FIGHTING
WITH IT.



I'M
SORRY.



...ANYWAY,
I
APOLOGIZE
FOR LETTING
THINGS GET
SO OUT OF
HAND.

BESIDES,
MY
ORIGINAL
COMPLAINT
WAS
AGAINST
PROFESSOR
OTOMO...



HEY.

KURA-
HASHI...



AH...
WELL,
KON HAD
A PART IN
THAT AS
WELL...

STARE
(呆滞)
(呆滞)



IT WAS
DIVIDED
MUCH
EARLIER
THAN YOUR
BRANCH
FAMILY WAS.

THE
KURAHASHI
FAMILY WAS
ORIGINALLY A
BRANCH
FAMILY OF THE
TSUCHI-
MIKADO.



WERE YOU
TRYING TO
BE NICE?
YOU KNEW,
DIDN'T YOU...

.....

...DID
YOU
KNOW
THAT,
KON?



YOU
DIDN'T
KNOW?

WHOW!
WAIT A
SECOND!

ARE
YOU
SAYING
THAT...

...WE'RE
RELATIVES?!



WHAT?

...HE
DOESN'T
REMEM-
BER.



DID
YOU
GUYS
HAVE
A
FIGHT
THEN?

I
GOT
IT, I
GOT
IT!

ANYWAY,
YOU MET
NATSUME
BEFORE?
AND?

...THAT
TIME
WE
MET.

...HE'S
FOR-
GOTTEN
ABOUT...

AND? DO
YOU HAVE
SOME
KIND OF
BUSINESS
WITH
H-HE?

Y-YOU'RE
PART OF
THE
KURAHASHI
FAMILY?

THE DAY WE
MET AGAIN
HERE AT
ONMYO
PREP
SCHOOL...

I'D RE-
MEMBERED
ALL THESE
YEARS,
BUT HE...

A
PROMISE?
WHAT
KIND?

BUT WE'D
MADE A
PROM-
ISE...

IF YOU
WERE
CLOSE
FRIENDS
WITH
NATSUME
AS A KID,
I WOULD
HAVE
KNOWN
ABOUT IT.

...WELL,
IN THAT
CASE IT
CAN'T
REALLY
BE
HELPED
THEN!

WE
ONLY
MET
ONE
TIME.

...YOU
WERE
THAT
CLOSE,
HUH?





HE WAS
PROTECTING
YOU
BECAUSE
YOU ARE A
TSUCHI-
MIKADO
FAMILIAR.

THE
REASON
YOU
WERE
CHOSEN
AS HIS
FAMILIAR...

IS
BECAUSE
OF
"TSUCHI-
MIKADO
TRADITION,"
RIGHT?



...NOT
ME
OR
YOU.

THAT'S
RIGHT,
HE'S NOT
THINKING
OF HOW
WE FEEL...



SURE, HE
CARRIES
THE BURDEN
OF THE
NAME
"TSUCHI-
MIKADO"...



NATSUNE
WAS AGAINST
IT BECAUSE
IT'S
DANGEROUS,
BUT I
COERCED HIM
INTO
ACCEPTING
ME...

HUH...

W-WAIT
A MINUTE,
KURA-
HASHI...

THE ONE
WHO
ASKED TO
BECOME A
FAMILIAR
WAS ME.



WHA...

PLEASE
BELIEVE
ME.

...BUT
THAT'S
NOT
ALL HE
THINKS
ABOUT.





I DIDN'T
EVEN
KNOW
SHE WAS
A
RELATIVE...

Y-YEAH!
THAT'S
ALL!



...AMONGST
FELLOW
BRANCH
FAMILY
MEMBERS.

YEAH, WE
WERE JUST
HAVING A
FRIENDLY
CONVER-
SATION...



.....

GREAT!



IF I CAN
GET THESE
TWO TO
BURY THE
HATCHET...

HERE'S
MY
CHANCE.

LOOK,
SHE'S
REALLY
SOPPY
ABOUT
YESTER-
DAY,
TOO.



NATSUME,
WAIT!

LUNCH
BREAK IS
ALMOST
OVER.

HURRY
BACK TO
THE
CLASS-
ROOM.



SEEMS
TO HAVE
WORKED
OUT WELL
WITH THE
OTHER
STUDENTS
THIS
MORNING.

HUMP



IS THAT
THE WAY
YOU DO
THINGS?

WE
TALKED IT
OUT, AND
SUR-
PRIS-
INGLY--

IS THE
"WAY" THAT
YOU'VE
BEEN
TALKING
ABOUT?

WINNING
OVER THE
PEOPLE
AROUND
YOU WITH
FLATTERY...

...
HUIH...

YOU ARE
WAY
BEHIND
ALL OF
THE OTHER
STUDENTS!

I'VE
SAID THIS
A MILLION
TIMES,
HARU-
TORA!

...YOU
SHOULD BE
WORKING
ON
YOURSELF...

IF YOU
HAVE TIME
TO HANG
OUT WITH
THE CLASS
OR CHAT
WITH KURA-
HASHI...

ARE YOU
KIDDING
ME?!



JUST
WHO DO
YOU THINK
YOU ARE?!

NATSUME...

WH—
!

SO HOW
ABOUT
YOU LAY
OFF THE
ATTI-
TUDE?!

YOU
DON'T
EVEN
COMMU-
NICATE
WITH
THOSE
AROUND
YOU...

LIKE
YOU'RE
ONE TO
TALK?!
YOU
INTRO-
VERTED
LITTLE
BRAT!

TEAMING UP
WITH
SOMEONE
AND
WORKING
TOGETHER IS
A FINE WAY
TO DO
THINGS!!

YEAH,
I'M A
COMPLETE
AMATEUR!

WHAT'S
WRONG
WITH
HELPING
EACH
OTHER?!

WHAT'S
WRONG
WITH
RELYING
ON THOSE
AROUND
ME?

IS IT
BECAUSE
YOU LACK
THE
COURAGE?

IS IT
BECAUSE
YOU
CAN'T DO
IT?



**DON'T
JUST LOOK
DOWN ON
THOSE
AROUND
YOU AND
GLOAT!!**

RELYING...
ON
OTHERS?

THAT'S
COUR-
AGE...?

...WANT
TO HEAR
THIS
FROM
YOU...!!

I
DON'T...

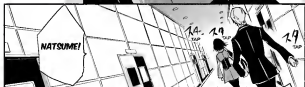
TSUCHE-
MIKADO?

OUR
APPOINT-
MENT TIME
HAS LONG
SINCE
PAST...

WHAT
ARE
YOU
DOING
HERE?

HEY...
HEY!

WAIT...







COLLAPSE



WE'LL
TAKE YOU
AWAY
FROM ALL
THIS...
...AND
PREVENT
ANY OB-
STACLES
TO YOUR
"EDUCA-
TION."

BUT
WHAT
MATTERS
NOW IS
THE
FUTURE.

PERHAPS
WE
SHOULD
HAVE
DONE
THIS
SOONER...



...WILL
BE
HARD
TO GET
RID OF

OH, I
KNOW.



IF WE
FAIL TO
DO SO
NOW...

...THAT
BOY
FAMILIAR...



LET US
GET TO
WORK.

NOW
THEN...

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NOW
THEN...



LET US
GET TO
WORK.

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OUR EDITORS, AND ASSISTANTS!! I'VE ALSO NOW
GOTTEN USED TO THE DIGITAL TOOLS I STARTED
USING AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS MANGA'S RUN,
AND HAVE BEGUN TO DO MORE AND MORE ON THE
COMPUTER. BUT I NEED TO BE CAREFUL... WHEN I
TRIED TO SCIENTIFICALLY REDUCE THE EYESTRAIN BY
WORKING WITH SUNGLASSES ON, THE ASSISTANTS
THOUGHT I WAS WEIRD. SORRY FOR LOOKING LIKE A
SUSPICIOUS CHARACTER. IF YOU'RE OKAY WITH
SOMEONE LIKE ME, PLEASE STICK WITH ME IN THE
FUTURE.

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